

"The first polka band to perform at a Woodstock Festival!"

FRITZ'S POLKA BAND

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

FRITZ'S POLKA BAND RETURNS TO THE NEW YORK STATE FAIR!

Jagermeister-sponsored, Fritz's Polka Band (FPB) from Verona, NY returns to the New York State Fair on Monday, August 25, 2014. FPB will be doing three (3) different shows, scheduled for 11:30am, 1pm and 3pm on the Regional Artists Variety Stage.

"We've been performing at the New York State Fair for almost 20 years and are very excited about being there again," said Fritz Scherz, band leader of Fritz's Polka Band. "This is such a family-friendly event, as we always see people in the audience ranging from small kids to people well over 80 or even 90 years old! We take pride in being a band that brings generations together! As always, we'll play quite a mix of tunes. And, as we've done each year at the State Fair since my dad passed away, we'll be honoring his legacy by playing some of the songs that he wrote!"

Fritz's Polka Band has been performing for over 35 years, and made history in 1999 by becoming the first polka band to perform at a Woodstock Festival in Rome, NY. FPB has made 18 recordings and even appears on "*The Manchurian Candidate*" DVD which was released in 2004. FPB won a Just Plain Folks Music Award in the Best Polka Song category for *Bialczak's Polka* in 2008. FPB won an Upper State Independent (USI) Award in Syracuse, NY, in the International Category in 2008 and 2009. In June 2009, FPB won their first ever Syracuse Area Music Award (SAMMY) in the Best Recording: Other Styles category for their "*Reflections*" recording. In 2010, FPB was inducted into the Syracuse Area Music Hall of Fame. In 2011, Fritz's Polka Band had two songs ('Grandparent's Polka' and 'Here Is Fritz's Polka Band') included in two different episodes of the hit cable TV show, 'Breaking Bad'. FPB was also nominated last year for two USI Awards. On November 1, 2013, FPB released their 18th recording, a double live CD entitled, "*The WSKG Sessions*". A few weeks ago, all FPB members found out they got nominated for national awards by the Cleveland-Style Polka Hall of Fame!

For more info on FPB, email Fritz at: fpolkaband@aol.com or call him at: (315) 363-3509, or visit the band's website:

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